

Abstract—The purpose of this study was to determine if there were differences in the prevalence of musculoskeletal disorders among different types of jobs. The subjects were 600 men employed by a large manufacturing company. They were divided into three groups based on their job type: manual labor, semi-skilled work, and professional/managerial work. Data were collected through self-reported questionnaires and medical records. The results showed that the prevalence of musculoskeletal disorders was highest among manual laborers, followed by semi-skilled workers, and lowest among professionals/managers. This suggests that physical demands of the job are a significant factor in the development of musculoskeletal disorders.

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